

CSP-EC Changelog

The CSP-EC agreement continues to improve based on our experience with real-world student projects every semester and feedback from organizations using the agreement.

The log below shows the improvements made to individual numbered clauses of the agreement for each version.

V2.0 (5/17/21)

- 1.2, 2.1: Broaden to allow for projects in non-degree bearing academic programs
- Many points of cleanup with Rob Hoon @ Cornell legal

V1.8a (04/13/17, V1.8 FORK)

- Forked V1.8 to provide a version that only supports intellectual property dedicated to the public domain.
- 3.5: Limited IP options to public domain and added tip.
- 3.5.1: Limited open source license options to Apache 2.0 and added tip.

V1.8 (06/30/15)

- Title: Updated to CSP-EC (Cornell Standard Project Agreement for External Collaborations) to complement the CSP-SC (Cornell Standard Project Agreement for Student Collaborations).
- 1.2: Fixed typo in tip.
- 3.3: Added case of sponsored research to tip and improved tip's description of appropriateness of agreement.
- 3.5.a.2: Added Apache 2.0 license to list of approved open source licenses and updated name of BSD license.
- 3.5.a.3: Simplified language.
- 3.5.b.2: Improved tip's example of how to divide student ownership of IP.
- 3.6: Fixed typo.
- 8.1: Improved clarity of tip.
- 8.2: Added support for local offices of organizations.
- preamble: made language consistent with other CSP agreements
- 8.4: Added requirement to give school copy of agreement

V0.8 (03/09/2014)

- 5: Fixed typo in tip.

V0.7 (02/18/2014)

- 3.1: Simplified definition of Intellectual Property.

- 3.3: Clarified that there may be more than one prior agreement.
- 3.5: Added missing word to tip and moved tip up for clarity.
- 3.6: Simplified discussion of software that potentially infringes on third party intellectual property.
- 5.3: Replaced "will" with "shall", consistent with other clauses in this section.
- 6.2: Added the exception of gross negligence.

V0.6 (11/07/2013)

- 2.4: Fixed tense from future to present.
- 4.1: Expanded definition of confidential information to include information that is not explicitly designated as confidential but is apparent to be confidential, and added a tip to give more guidance to students.
- 8.2: Changed the jurisdiction of the agreement from the location of the campus of the school to the location of the headquarters of the organization.

V0.5 (09/20/2013)

- 3.6: Made it more clear that a student should not knowingly infringe on third party IP, but that it is still possible they may unknowingly infringe.

V0.4 (09/18/2013)

- 7.4: Added section 7.4 to list of sections that survive termination.

V0.3 (04/03/2013, FIRST PUBLIC VERSION TO BE EXECUTED)

- Preamble: Added missing word.
- 2.2: Improved tip.
- 3.5.a.1: Fixed typo.

V0.2 (03/28/2013, WORKING VERSION)

- Title: Renamed CSP from "Cornell Student Project" to "Cornell Standard Project".
- Preamble: Added preamble and tip.
- 1: Added new section for initial clauses and tip.
- 2.1: Added reference to The School.
- 2.2: Added clause and tip to clarify the project is for educational purposes.
- 2.5: Added definition of The Duration.
- 3.1: Added clarification that intellectual property is in connection to the project.
- 3.3: Added tip.
- 3.4: Added clause and tip to clarify student's ownership of intellectual property.
- 3.5.a: Clarified case where intellectual property is made freely available.
- 3.5.a.1: Clarified case where intellectual property is made freely available.
- 3.5.a.2: Clarified case where intellectual property is made freely available and added

reference to The Student.

- 3.5.a.3: Added clause about choice of open source license.
- 3.5.b: Clarified that the student retains ownership in this case.
- 3.5.b.2: Added tip.
- 3.5.c.3: Added reasonable clarification and tip.
- 3.6: Added clause and tip about potential infringement of the intellectual property of third parties.
- 4.1: Clarified that designation of confidential information can be written or verbal, and that confidential information does not include information that is trivial or obvious.
- 4.2: Added sentence about taking reasonable measures to protect confidential information.
- 4.3: Added tip.
- 5: Added new section on public discussion and tip.
- 5.1: Defined The Project Results.
- 5.2: Added clause that results can be published or presented to the public.
- 5.3: Added reference to The Project Results.
- 5.4: Added clause to allow for use of the name of the organization.
- 5.5: Added reference to The Project Results and case of presentations.
- 5.6: Added clause to limit use of trademarks and logos.
- 6: Added new section on liability.
- 7: Added new section on termination.
- 8: Added new section on legal authority.

V0.1 (01/21/2013, INITIAL WORKING VERSION)